

## AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2750. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1314, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations.

SA 2751. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2750 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 1314, *supra*.

SA 2752. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1314, *supra*.

SA 2753. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2752 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 1314, *supra*.

SA 2754. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2753 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the amendment SA 2752 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 1314, *supra*.

## TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 2750.** Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1314, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations; as follows:

At the end add the following:  
 "This Act shall take effect 1 day after the date of enactment."

**SA 2751.** Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2750 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 1314, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations; as follows:

Strike "1 day" and insert "2 days".

**SA 2752.** Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1314, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations; as follows:

At the end add the following:  
 "This Act shall take effect 3 days after the date of enactment."

**SA 2753.** Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2752 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 1314, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations; as follows:

Strike "3 days" and insert "4 days".

**SA 2754.** Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 2753 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the amendment SA 2752 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 1314, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations; as follows:

Strike "4" and insert "5".

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

## COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2015, at 10 a.m., in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "The U.S. Role and Strategy in the Middle East."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2015, at 3:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Nominations."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2015, at 2:30 p.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Retirement Plan Options for Small Businesses."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2015, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Assessing the State of Our Nation's Biodefense."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2015, at 2:30 p.m. in room SR-418 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "VA Mental Health: Ensuring Access to Care".

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2015, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "The State of Rural Banking: Challenges and Consequences."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. MERKLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that my intern Brianna Justus, who is participating in a shadow day, have privileges of the floor for the balance of the day.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of and the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 293.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 293) supporting the goals and ideals of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, commending domestic violence victim advocates, domestic violence victim service providers, crisis hotline staff, and first responders serving victims of domestic violence for their compassionate support of victims of domestic violence, and expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should continue to support efforts to end domestic violence and hold perpetrators of domestic violence accountable.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 293) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.  
 (The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of October 22, 2015, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

## NATIONAL BISON DAY

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 300, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 300) designating November 7, 2015, as National Bison Day.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. McCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 300) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 597

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title for the first time.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 597) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.

Mr. McCONNELL. I now ask for a second reading and, in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2015

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m., Thursday, October 29; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; finally, that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of the House message to accompany H.R. 1314.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:41 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, October 29, 2015, at 10 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

#### IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203(A):

##### To be rear admiral

FRANCIS S. PELKOWSKI

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 271(E):

##### To be captain

LADONN A. ALLEN  
AREX B. AVANNI  
DONALD E. BADER  
RICHARD L. BATES  
LANCE C. BELBEN  
GARY R. BOWEN  
MICHAEL E. BRANDHUBER  
STEPHEN BURDIAN  
MICHAEL E. CAMPBELL  
KEVIN M. CARROLL  
CHRISTOPHER M. CHASE  
KURT A. CLARKE  
DWIGHT E. COLLINS  
THOMAS F. COOPER  
DARCIE G. CUNNINGHAM  
RUSSELL E. DASH  
MICHAEL J. DAVANZO  
DAVID S. DEUEL  
MATTHEW J. FAY  
PATRICK M. FLYNN  
BRIAN C. GLANDER  
DOUGLAS D. GOODWIN  
JOHN P. GREGG  
JOHN L. HOLLINGSWORTH  
SCOTT A. KEISTER  
KEVIN M. KING  
MARC W. KNOWLTON  
BRIAN K. KOSHULSKY  
MATTHEW W. LAKE  
KRISTI M. LUTTRELL  
GREGORY H. MAGEE  
RYAN D. MANNING  
MICHAEL F. NASITKA  
ROBERT A. PHILLIPS  
CURTISS C. POTTER  
JOHN W. PRUITT  
THOMAS C. REMMERS  
JOHN G. RIVERS  
MONICA L. ROCHESTER  
WILLIAM E. SASSER, JR.  
PATRICK C. SCHREIBER  
JOSEPH H.D. SOLOMON  
GLENN D. STOCKS  
ERIC J. STORCH  
JOSEPH SUNDLAND  
JAMES P. SUTTON  
JASON P. TAMA  
PETER R. VAN NESS  
MARK VISLAY, JR.  
MARK R. VLAUN  
AARON E. WATERS  
BLAKE E. WELBORN  
ADRIAN L. WEST  
STEPHEN R. WHITE  
CRAIG J. WIESCHHORSTER  
JEFFREY V. YAROSH

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203(A):

##### To be captain

SHARIF A. ABDRAHBO  
MICHAEL K. ARNOLD  
JOHN M. CARABALLO  
RONALD J. CATUDAL  
MICHAEL J. FERULLO  
EVAN J. GALBO  
JOHN J. GAROFALO, JR.  
JILL I. LUMPKIN  
MATTHEW J. MCCANN  
DAVID A. MENCHACA  
PATRICIA J. QUINN  
JENNIFER A. TRAVERS  
WILBUR A. VELARDE

#### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

##### To be major general

BRIG. GEN. ARLEN R. ROYALTY

#### IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

##### To be admiral

VICE ADM. KURT W. TIDD

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

##### To be colonel

ALAN D. MURDOCK

#### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

##### To be colonel

OLGA M. ANDERSON  
ROSEANNE M. BENNETT  
JOHN H. COOK  
JOHN A. HAMNER II  
TIMOTHY P. HAYES, JR.  
MAUREEN A. KOHN  
JULIE A. LONG  
ROBERT L. MANLEY III  
ANDRAS M. MARTON  
SEAN T. MCGARRY  
OREN H. MCKNELLY  
MICHAEL D. MIERAU, JR.  
RUSSELL N. PARSON  
TRAVIS L. ROGERS  
MICHAEL C. WONG  
ERIC W. YOUNG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS CHAPLAINS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

##### To be colonel

JIMMY C. DAVIS, JR.  
CHARLES M. FIELDS  
MARK A. FREDERICK  
DAVID M. LOCKHART  
ROBERT NAY  
DARIN A. NIELSEN  
KEVIN M. PIES  
JAMES E. SCHAEFER  
OLEN Z. SELLERS  
SCOTT R. SHERRETT  
DAVID L. SHOFFNER  
JERRY C. SIEG  
KENNETH R. SORENSON  
TIMOTHY D. WALLS  
KEVIN B. WESTON  
STANLEY E. WHITTEN  
ROBERT E. WICHMAN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

##### To be colonel

SPENCER T. PRICE

#### IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

##### To be lieutenant commander

JAMES E. O'NEIL III  
KEITH M. ROXO

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 5721:

##### To be lieutenant commander

JOSHUA C. ANDRES  
CARL W. BARLOW III  
LOWELL E. BRUHY  
RALPH T. BUCKLES  
DEREK A. BURNLEY  
ARON E. CALLIPO  
DANA S. CANBY  
KENDRA B. CARTER  
DAVID A. DUFFIELD  
STEPHEN M. EMERSON  
CLINTON D. EMRICH  
JACOB M. GERLACH  
DANIEL W. GOODWIN  
CHRISTOPHER A. GRILLO  
RYAN M. GRUNDT  
SAMUEL F. HARTLEY  
JOHN J. HARTSOCK  
KYLE T. HAUBOLD  
COLLIN R. HEDGES  
DARRELL R. HEIDE  
RICHARD S. HEIDEL  
BRENT J. HOLLOWAY  
ROBERT A. JOHNSON  
CHARLES P. JONES  
ALFRED L. KELLER, JR.  
JEREMY D. LEAZER  
WILLIAM C. LIVINGSTON  
BENJAMIN B. LONG  
FRANCISCO D. MARTINEZ  
JOSHUA A. MEEK  
THOMAS E. MILLER  
JEFFREY A. MILOTA  
JUSTIN A. MURTY  
SHAUN A. POSEY  
PETER J. REMILLARD  
ALEX RINALDI  
COSMAS SAMARITIS  
JOSEPH W. A. SAMMUR  
DANIEL C. SHEA  
THOMAS J. SIMMONS  
MATTHEW D. SPAKOWSKI  
ERIK B. SUNDAY  
STEPHEN D. SZACHTA, JR.  
CHAD T. TELLA  
MARK TEMPLAR  
NATHANIEL B. VANDEVENTER